

refuses to testify when called upon so to do, then such examiner shall report the same forthwith to the State Auditor, who, if he deems it proper to do so, may apply to the resident judge or the judge holding the Superior Courts for that judicial district for the enforcement of attendance and answers to questions, or for the production of books and papers, before such judge in term or at chambers, and when so obtained and produced, such testimony or exhibits from books and papers shall be made and become a part of the record of examination of the particular office or offices then the subject of the examination by the examiner.

Examiner may
administer oaths.

Willful false
swearing misde-
meanor.
Penalty.

Report of
examination
made in
triplicate.

Fourth copy
to be made
in case of
irregularity.

Action of
Attorney
General.

SEC. 6. That such examiner shall also have the authority to administer oaths and to examine all witnesses under oath, orally or by interrogatories propounded, touching the matters under investigation and examination. Willful false swearing in such examination shall make such party guilty of a misdemeanor, and fined not exceeding one thousand dollars and imprisoned in the county jail or State's prison not less than four months nor more than ten years.

SEC. 7. That a report of such examination shall be made in triplicate, signed by the officer making the examination, one copy to be filed with the State Auditor, and one copy with the office under investigation, and one copy with the clerk of the board of county commissioners.

SEC. 8. That in the event such examination discloses any condition which tends to show that any officer is subject to indictment or removal from office under the existing law, a fourth copy shall be provided and filed by the State Auditor in the office of the Attorney-General, who shall thereupon take such action as in his judgment the facts and circumstances warrant.

SEC. 9. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification. Ratified this 6th day of March, A.D. 1919.

CHAPTER 154

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 264 PUBLIC LAWS OF 1915, AUTHORIZING UNION COUNTY TO REGULATE THE USE OF VEHICLES, MOTOR TRUCKS, ETC., ON THE PUBLIC ROADS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Act extended to
apply to Union,
Nash and Gaston
counties.

SECTION 1. That chapter two hundred and sixty-four, Public Laws of nineteen hundred and fifteen, be and the same is hereby amended by adding the words "Union, Nash, and Gaston," after the last word, "Camden," in section four.

SEC. 2. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification. Ratified this 6th day of March, A.D. 1919.